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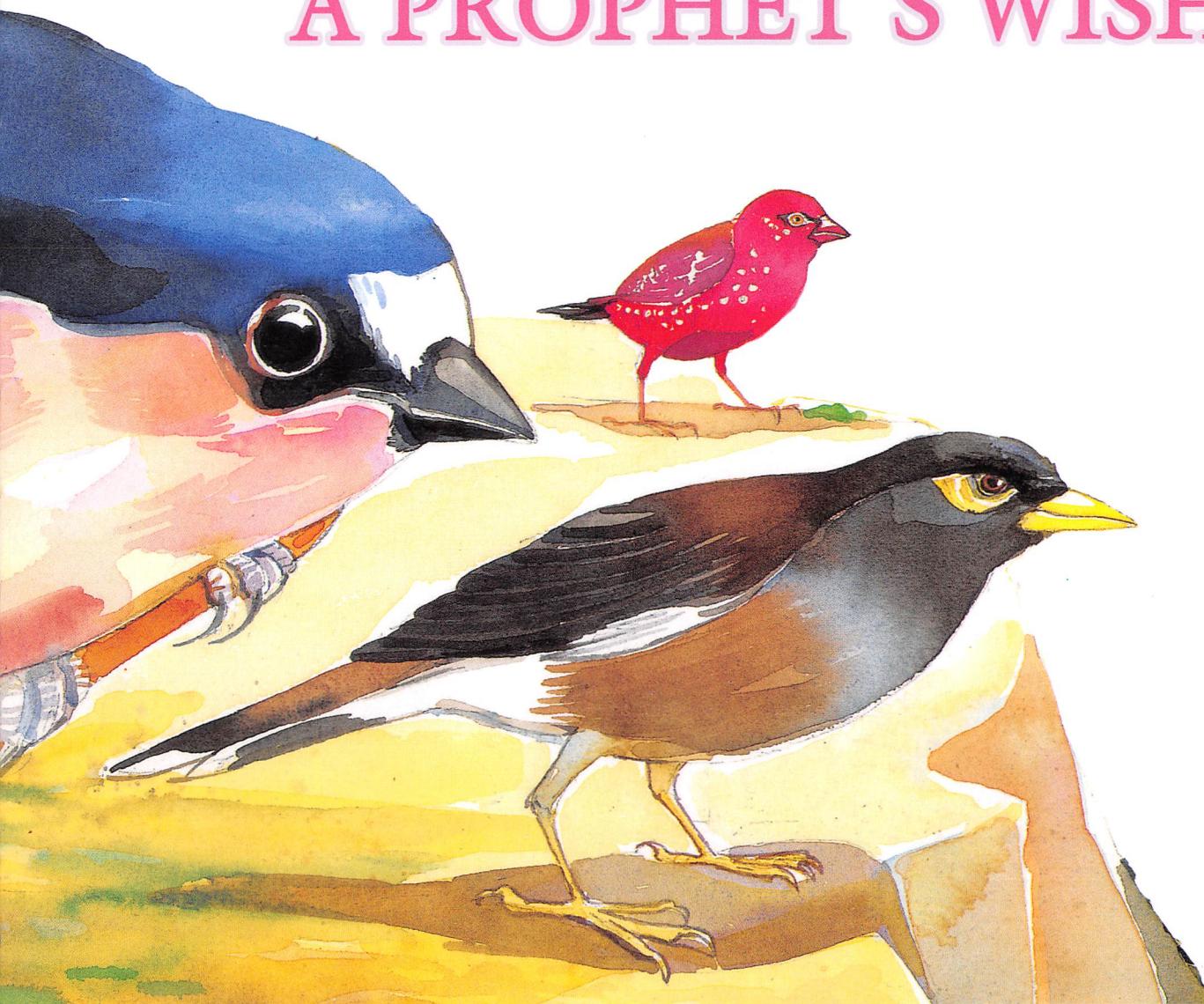
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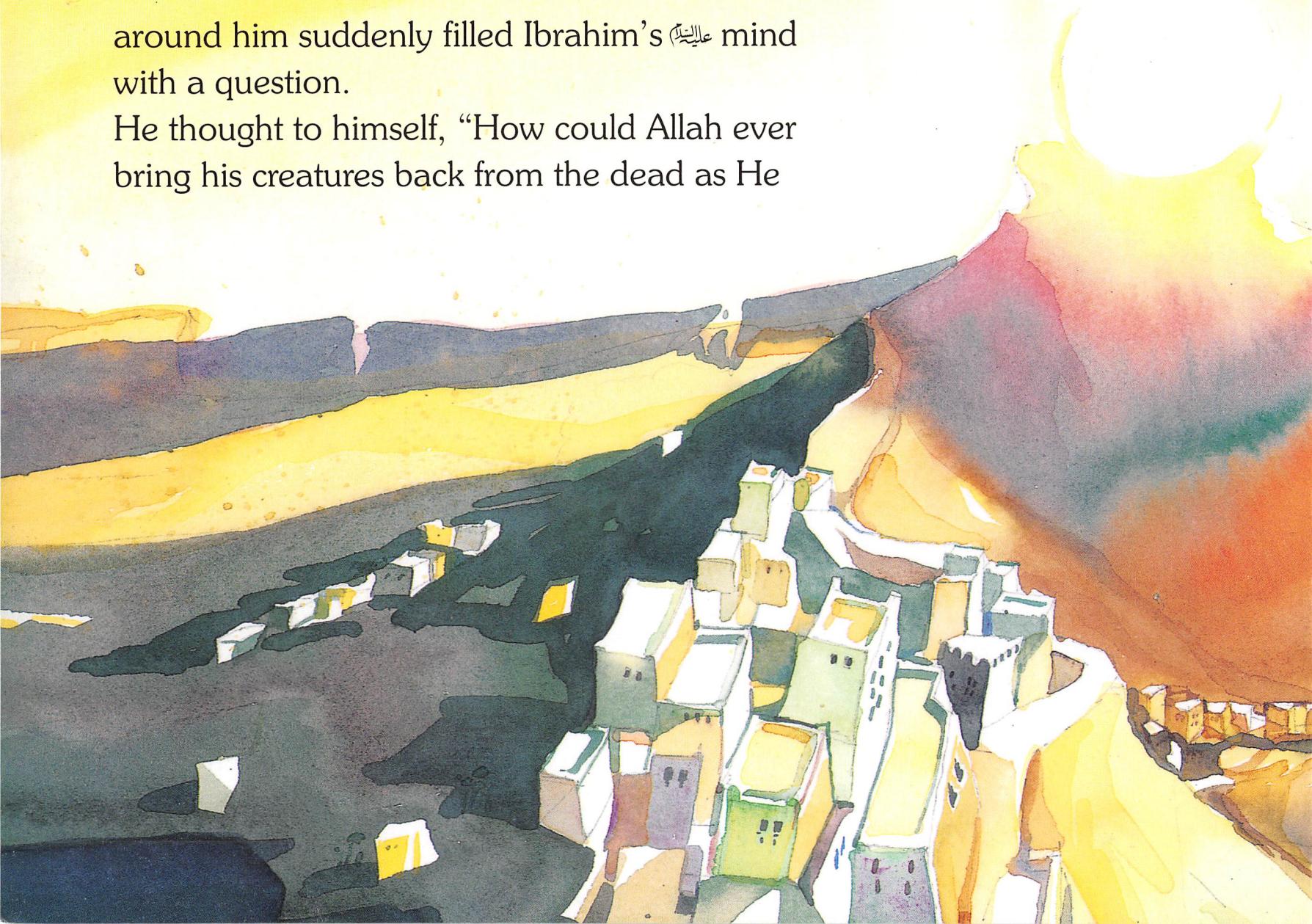


It was a beautiful and warm sunny afternoon in the valleys.
The hills were shining brightly and the lovely chirping of birds



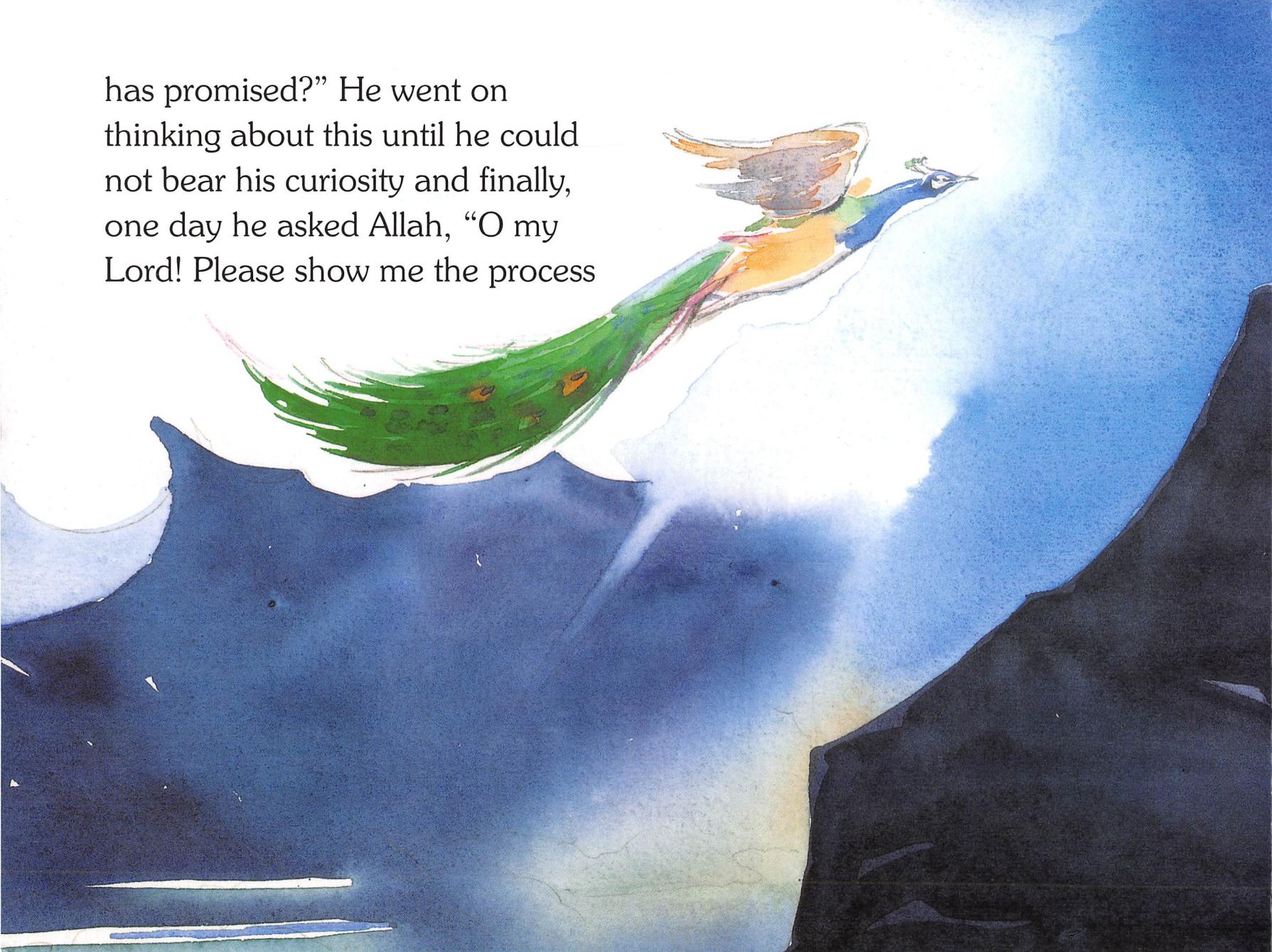
around him suddenly filled Ibrahim's ﷺ mind with a question.

He thought to himself, "How could Allah ever bring his creatures back from the dead as He



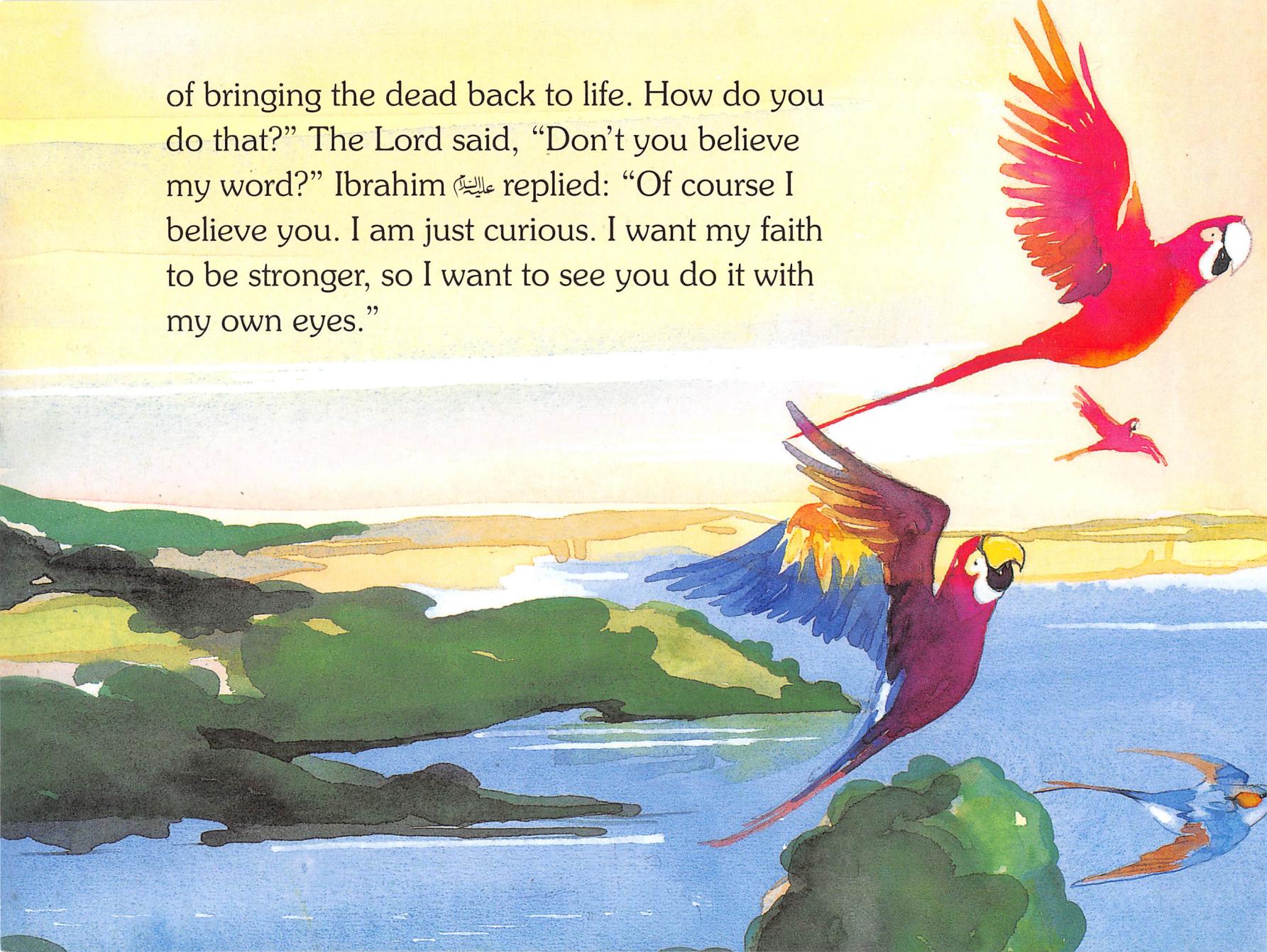


has promised?" He went on thinking about this until he could not bear his curiosity and finally, one day he asked Allah, "O my Lord! Please show me the process





of bringing the dead back to life. How do you do that?" The Lord said, "Don't you believe my word?" Ibrahim ﷺ replied: "Of course I believe you. I am just curious. I want my faith to be stronger, so I want to see you do it with my own eyes."







Allah replied, "Certainly my curious one,
take four birds and train them so that they
come to you whenever you call them.



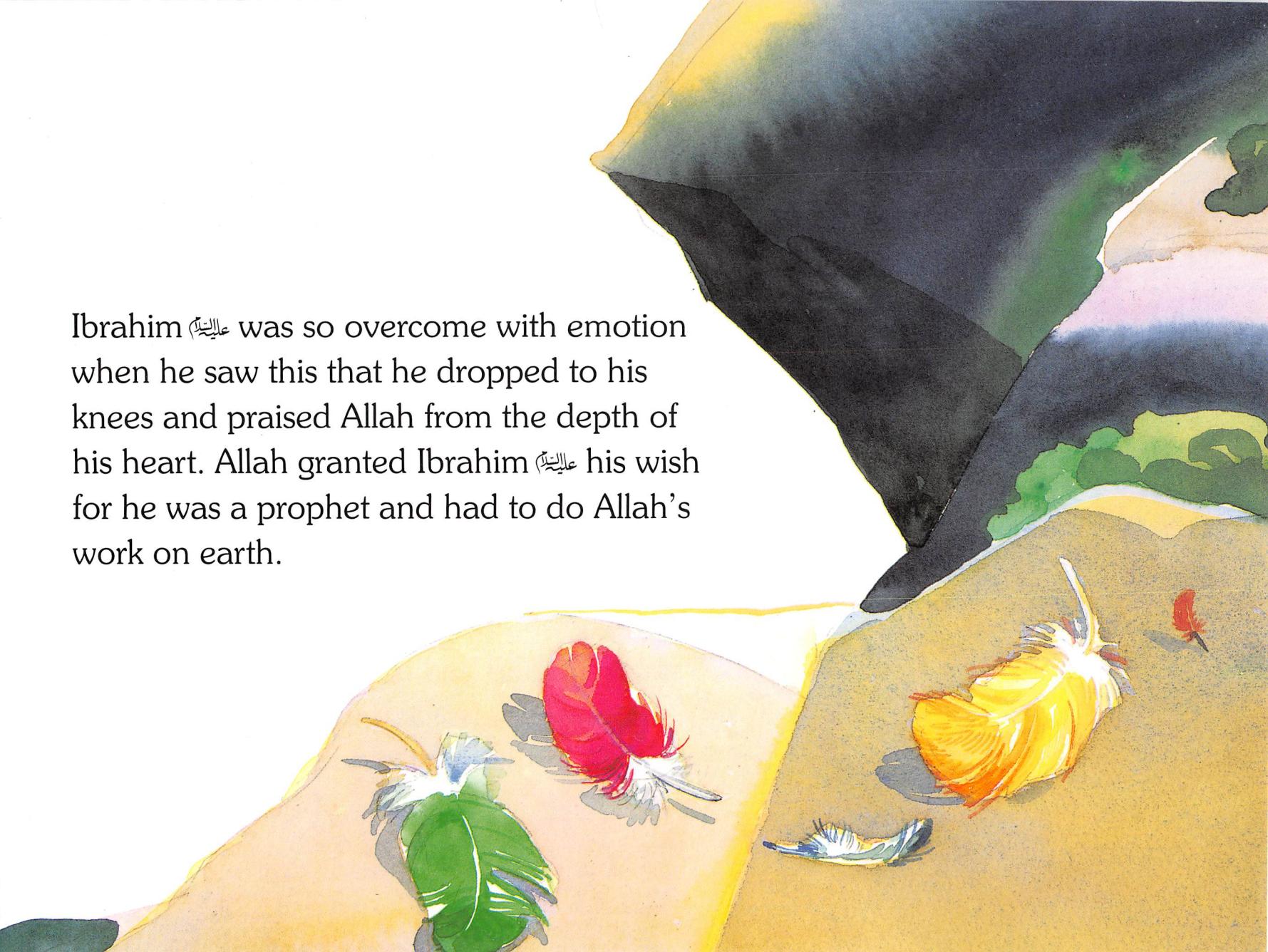
When you have done this, slaughter them and cut all into pieces. After that put each piece on a different hill and call them. They will come at once and you will see that Allah is the Almighty and the wisest.”

Ibrahim عليه السلام did exactly as he was told. He took four birds, trained them so that they would come to him from wherever they were when he called them. Then he slaughtered them and mixed them all. After that he divided them into four portions and placed each portion on a different hill. Then, he called them and was stunned at what he saw.

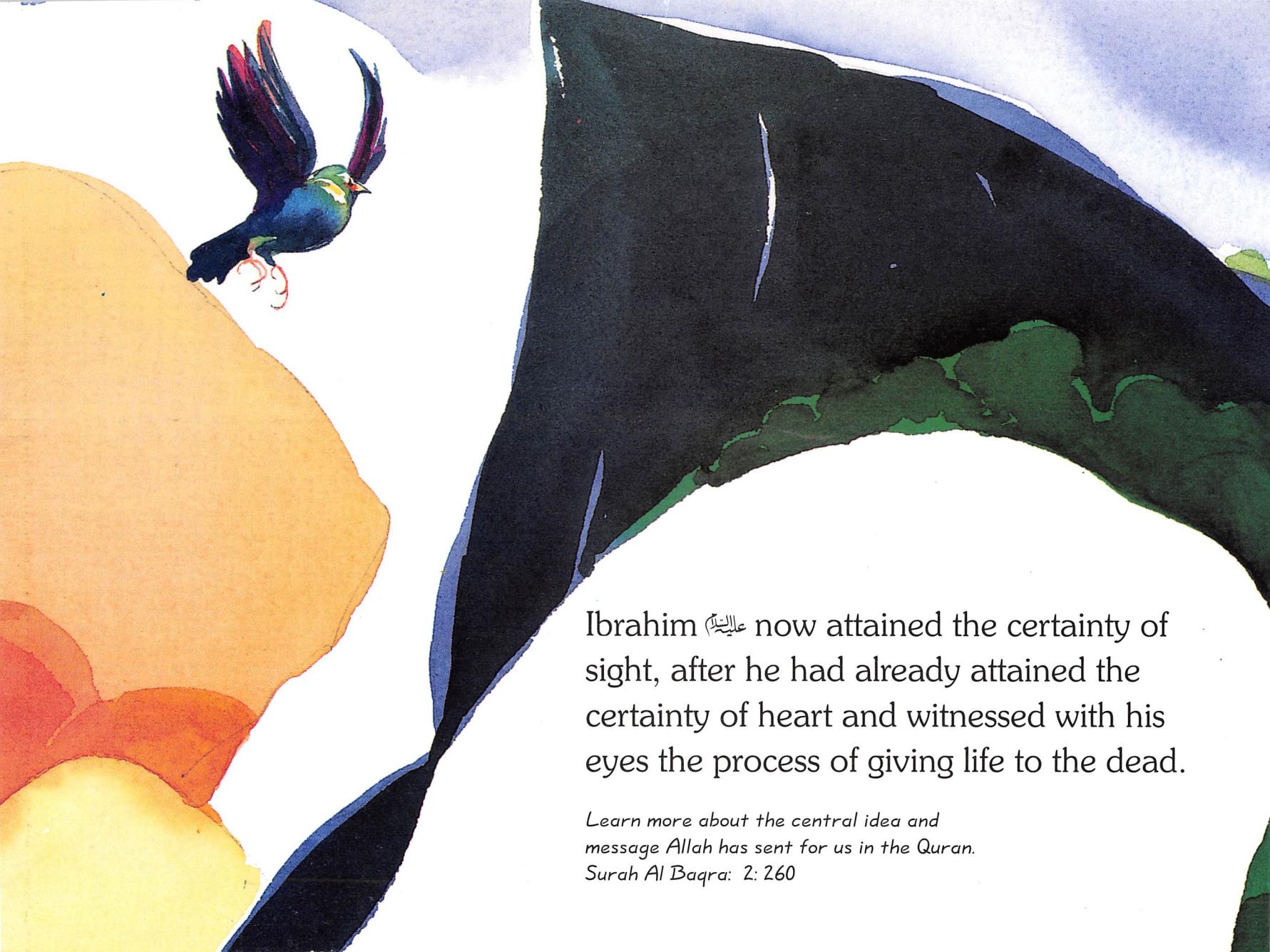
Each came back to life and returned to him as if they had never died.







Ibrahim عليه السلام was so overcome with emotion when he saw this that he dropped to his knees and praised Allah from the depth of his heart. Allah granted Ibrahim عليه السلام his wish for he was a prophet and had to do Allah's work on earth.



Ibrahim عليه السلام now attained the certainty of sight, after he had already attained the certainty of heart and witnessed with his eyes the process of giving life to the dead.

Learn more about the central idea and message Allah has sent for us in the Quran.
Surah Al Baqra: 2: 260

